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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE REPEAL OF OBSOLETE LAWS RELATING TO

102 **REAPPORTIONMENT OF STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS.**

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Statutory Revision Committee. The general assembly formerly drew the boundaries of state senate and house of representative districts but was divested of this power upon the creation, via a ballot initiative in the 1974 general election, of the Colorado reapportionment commission. The bill repeals obsolete laws pertaining to:

! Districts drawn by the general assembly following the 1970

SENATE 3rd Reading Unamended February 27, 2017

SENATE 2nd Reading Unamended February 24, 2017





federal census; and

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The 6 house of representatives districts that were redrawn by the general assembly in 1998 to achieve compliance with the "Voting Rights Act of 1965" following *Sanchez v. State of Colorado*, 97 F.3d 1303 (10th Cir. 1996) (cert. denied May 19, 1997).

The repeal effected by the bill results in the removal of over 20,000 words from the Colorado Revised Statutes.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, repeal parts 1 and 2
3 of article 2 of title 2.

4 SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act 5 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the 6 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August 7 9, 2017, if adjournment sine die is on May 10, 2017); except that, if a 8 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the 9 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act 10 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect 11 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in 12 November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the 13 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.